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CHAPTER 25 THE BAEKMA VALLEY (6)

THERE ARE THREE...

*...WHOM WE'VE CONFIRMED
50 FAR...*

WE DON'T KNOW HOW
MANY MORE THERE ARE.



ARE YOU SAYING THAT THE
OLD MAN IS A TRIPLET?



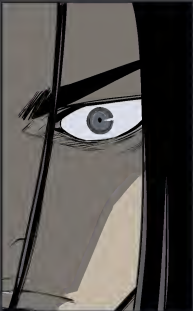
NOT A
TRIPLST...

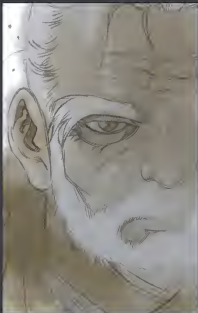
IT MIGHT BE EASIER
TO THINK OF THEM AS
HIS BODY DOUBLES...

THINK BACK
CAREFULLY.

WAS THE OLD MAN
WHO LIVED WITH YOU
FOR NEARLY TWENTY
YEARS *ONE* AND THE
SAME PERSON?

DID YOU NEVER ONCE
FEEL THAT THERE WAS
SOMETHING DIFFERENT
ABOUT HIM, LIKE HE WAS
SOMEONE ELSE?





I WARNED
YOU...



...THAT YOU'D PAY IF
YOU MADE UP STORIES
JUST TO GET ME TO
JOIN YOU.

SHIT

IS THAT
RIGHT?

HOW COME I'VE
NEVER HEARD OF
THIS BEFORE?

I
HEARD
IT.



I DIDN'T BOTHER
TELLING YOU BECAUSE
I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS
NECESSARY.



I SEE.



I WAS THE FIRST
ONE TO VISIT HIM, AND
HE NEVER SAID ANYTHING
LIKE THAT TO ME.



WELL?

THERE'RE
THREE OF US
HERE.



CAN YOU TELL
THE ORDER IN
WHICH YOU MET
EACH OF US?



WHAT... THE
HELL IS THIS...?



CLAP



AND...



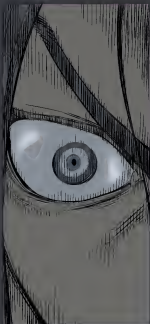
WHO DO I
LOOK LIKE TO
YOU NOW?



I HAVEN'T
CHANGED THE
WAY I LOOK...

...BUT WHOM
DO YOU SEE?

AREN'T YOU SEEING
THE FACE OF A MAN
YOU DESPERATELY
WANT TO SEE?



SNAP



THIS IS JUST A SIMPLE
TRICK THAT ANYONE CAN
DO. IF HE KNOWS BASIC
ILLUSION TECHNIQUES.

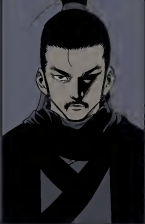


BUT PEOPLE
LIKE YOU WHO'RE
SINGLE-MINDEDLY
DRIVEN, FALL EASILY
FOR THESE SIMPLE
ILLUSIONS.



...

MAN'S FIVE SENSES
ARE WEAKER AND MORE
FLAWED THAN YOU MIGHT
THINK, YOU SEE.

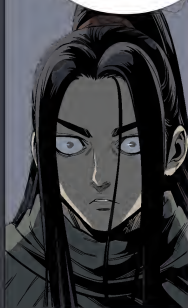


OF COURSE, IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE TO RAISE A
'BEGLANOURED PUPPET'
INTO A BOSU OF
YOUR CALIBRE.



BUT A BRAINWASHED
WEAPON WITH A SENSE OF
IDENTITY, WHO'S BLINDED BY A
BURNING DESIRE FOR REVENGE...
MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS
PERFECTLY!

EVERYTHING
ELSE IN THE BACKDROP
ARE NOTHING MORE THAN
'PROPS' TO REINFORCE
THE *'SUBTEXT'*.



TAKE THE HEAVEN EARTH ASSOCIATION'S LACKEYS, FOR EXAMPLE. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THEM?

DO YOU THINK THEY HAD SOMETHING THAT COULD BE CALLED SELF-AWARENESS?



THEY WERE COMPLETE PUPPETS WHO WOULD'VE THROWN THEMSELVES INTO A FIRE WITH BUT A WORD FROM THE OLD MAN.

AND THE OLD MAN SURROUNDS HIMSELF WITH THESE MARIONETTES.

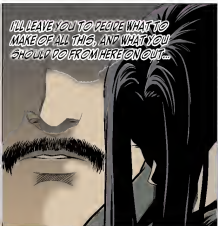




THIS IS WHAT
WE'VE UNCOVERED
SO FAR.



I'LL LEAVE YOU TO DECIDE WHAT TO
MAKE OF ALL THIS, AND WHAT YOU
SHOULD DO FROM HERE ON OUT.





HEY, ARE
YOU GONNA STAY
GOOPED UP IN
HERE?



IT LOOKS LIKE THE
MONSTER OF YELLOW
DRAGON MOUNTAIN HAS
COME ALL THIS WAY TO
GET YOU, Y'KNOW?





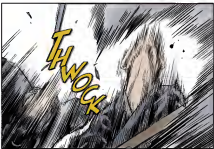
DAMN, WHAT
A STUCK-UP
BRAT. ㄱ
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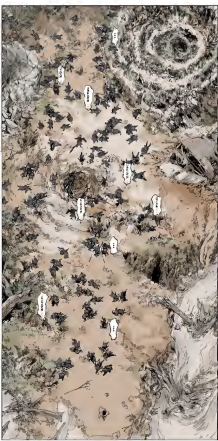


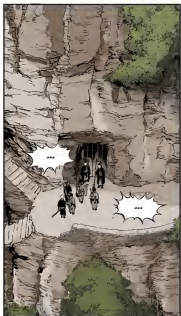












IS IT REALLY
OKAY TO HAND HIM
OVER TO THEM?

AH... HELL, BEATS
ME... BUT THEY HAVE A
WRITTEN ORDER FROM THE
CAPTAIN, SO NOTHING
WE CAN DO.



OHA
WOODOX
THE REAPER.



HE WAS ONCE REGARDED
WITH AWE, BUT SEE HOW THE
MIGHTY HAVE *FALLEN*.

LIFE REALLY FEELS
MEANINGLESS AT A
TIME LIKE THIS.



DON'T HE
LOOK... LIKE
HE'S *DEAD*?



...



SO
MUCH THE
BETTER.



IF HE GETS THE CHANCE
TO FACE OUR LADY AND
TELLS HER WHAT *REALLY*
HAPPENED BACK THERE,
I'LL BE IN HOT WATER.

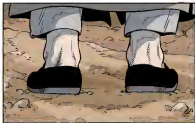


STILL...



IT WOULDN'T
HURT TO MAKE
SURE...







KEEP THIS UP,
AND MORE OF
YOUR MEN WILL
GET HURT.

IF YOU WANT TO END THIS
RIGHT NOW, BRING OUT THE
MAN YOU KIDNAPPED, OR GET
THE HEAD OF THE BAEKMA
VALLEY TO COME OUT.

NOBODY
ELSE WILL
DO.



YOU'VE
GOTTA BE
SHITIN' ME...

STEP

I THOUGHT AN ALLIED
FORCE OF THE RIGHTOUS
FACTIONS WAS ATTACKING
OR SOMETHIN', BUT IT WAS
JUST ONE GUY.

I CAN SEE THAT YOU'RE
NO ORDINARY MAN TO HAVE
MADE IT THIS FAR.

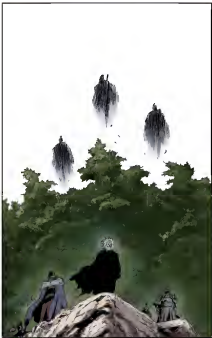
BUT WE'LL NEVER BE
ABLE TO WASH AWAY
THE DISGRACE OF HAVING
THREE ELITE SECTIONS
OF THE BAEKMA VALLEY
LIE IN AMBUSH TO TAKE
OUT A SINGLE MAN.

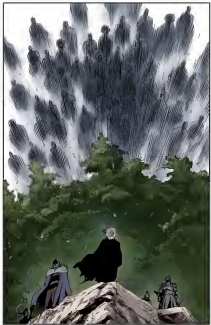


IF WE'RE GOING
TO BE DISGRACED
ANYWAY...

WE'LL HAVE
OURSELVES SOME FUN BY
KEEPIN' YOU IN THE PIGPEN
AFTER WE CHOP OFF ALL
OF YOUR LIMBS.

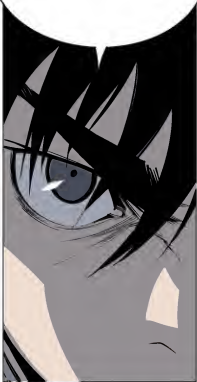








I *TRIED* TO TALK
THINGS OVER, BUT IF
THEY WON'T LISTEN, THEN
I GUESS THERE'S NO
HELPING IT!





HEAVENLY
DESTRUCTION,
THUNDER HAWK
STRIKE!

